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Survey Physician Assistants and Nurse Practitioners

1. **Do you think access to medically necessary health care in Lewis and Clark County is a problem for your patients?**
_____a. yes
_____b. no

2. **If yes, what do you think may result from the problem of lack of access to medically necessary health care:**

         _____Harm to Patients
         _____Death
         _____Disability
         _____Other: _____

For question #3, please rank the top five barriers with #1 as the most important, #5 as least important.

3. **In your experience what are the greatest barriers to care for patients in Lewis and Clark County?**
_____a. Lack of primary care providers
_____b. Cost of primary care
_____c. Lack of specialists (Ortho,General surgery, Cardiology, etc.)
_____d. Cost of specialty care
_____e. Shortage of dentists (Oral surgeons)
_____f. Cost of Dental
_____g. Cost of essential prescription drugs
_____h. Lack of in-home care services
_____i. Cost of home care
_____j. Shortage of Psychiatrists
_____k. Access to other mental health services
_____l. Other: Please list _____

4. **What percentage of your work time do you spend** in direct patient care service (seeing patients, call backs, med refills, consultations, medically necessary paperwork, etc) ?_____

   _____%

5. **Do you take new patients?**

_____a. yes
_____b. no

6. **Are you accepting new self-referred patients whose only insurance is Medicaid?**

_____a. yes
_____b. no

7. **Are you accepting new self- referred patients whose only insurance is Medicare?**
_____a. yes
_____b. no

8. Are you accepting new "self pay" patients?
____a. yes
____b. no

For question #9, please rank each choice in order of importance to you, with #1 as the most important.

9. What would make it easier for you to do your job?
____a. More time with patients
_____b. Less time required for "paper work"
____c. Access to medically necessary resources for your patients (Rx's, specialists, etc,)
____d. Reimbursement that covers your practice costs
____e. Other: Please list _____

10. Is the bulk of your work providing primary care?
____a. yes
____b. no
____c. Other: Please list _____

11. How many years have you worked in health care? _____

12. If you could fix something (one thing?)about the health care system in Lewis and Clark County, what would that be?
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Please add any comments.

Thank you for your participation.